Express Mailing Label: EV 026 620 517 US

Date of Deposit: March 6, 2002

Attorney Docket No.:19374-502 NATL

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK PERCEIVED

APPLICANT: Farmer

ASSIGNEE: GANEDEN BIOTECH, INC.

MAR 1 5 2002

SERIAL NUMBER : 09/647,695

EXAMINER : DavTEOH CENTER 1600/2900

FILING DATE: April 6, 2001

ART UNIT: 1651

FOR :METHODS FOR REDUCING CHOLESTEROL USING BACILLUS

COAGULANS SPORES, SYSTEMS AND COMPOSITIONS

March 6, 2002

Boston, Massachusetts

imissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time to respond to the September 6, 2001, Office Action in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before March 6, 2002.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge deposit account in the amount of \$460.00 in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3), as well as any additional fees that may be due or credit any overpayment of same, Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 19374-502 NATL. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

03/13/2002 SSITHIB1 00000064 09647695

01 FC:217

460.00 BP

Ingrid Beattie, Registration No.42,306

Attorneys for Applicants

MINTZ, LEVIN, COHN, FERRIS, GLOVSKY AND POPEO, P.C.

One Financial Center

Boston, Massachusetts 02111

Tel: (617) 542-6000

TRA 1639943v1